GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REHABILITATION OF TSUNAMI AFFECTED COUNTRIES
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the US administration has released additional funds to the tune of $901 million for the rehabilitation work in Tsunami affected countries in the Indian Ocean;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the total US aid so far received for the rehabilitation of the Tsunami victims by India; and

(c) the number of victims who have been the beneficiaries of this US aid?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY)

(a),(b)&(c): The Government of India has not accepted external assistance for immediate relief and response as the country had adequate resources of its own to deal with the Tsunami disaster. No US assistance has been included in the Tsunami rehabilitation programme being finalized by the Planning Commission. The US Government, through USAID in India, has provided more than $3.1 million assistance which included field team coordination with local government and non governmental organizations.